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SUBJ: SENATORIAL CANDIDATES

1. AS OF AFTERNOON JUNE 27 SPECIAL COMMISSARIAT FOR ADMINISTRATION HAS RECEIVED APPLICATIONS OF SIX SENATE SLATES. WE WILL REPORT ADDITIONAL CANDIDACIES AS THEY ARE FILED. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY INFORMATION ON SIX LISTS TO DATE:

2. FIRST LIST TO FILE WAS "CHANH DAO", (RIGHT WAY) HEADED BY SAIGON CITY COUNCIL CHAIRMAN NGUYEN QUY BAO. IT INCLUDES SAIGON MAYOR VAN VAN CUA AND NATIONAL ASSEMBLY DEPUTIES TRIEU SEN HOACH, DIEP VAN HUNG AND HOANG NGOC CAN (WHO IS BAO'S SON-IN-LAW). ALSO ON LIST IS RESPECTED BUDDHIST LAYMAN LE VAU DINH AND PHAN NGO, VNQDD LEADER AND SAIGON CITY COUNCILMEN.

3. "WRITERS" LISTS IS HEADED BY BUI BA KHAN, AND IS COMPOSED OF SAIGON JOURNALISTIC FIGURES.

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4. GREATER NATIONAL UNITY" SLATE BRINGS TOGETHER LA THANH NGHE, THREE LEADING HOA HAO, AND TWO MINORITIES REPRESENTATIVES. FIVE OF ITS MEMBERS ARE IN VA DEMOCRATIC-ALLIANCE BLOC, INCLUDING LE PHOC SANG AND LE QUANG LIEM. PRESENCE OF SANG AND LIEM ON SAME LIST IS NOTE-WORTHY SINCE THEY HAVE OPPOSED EACH OTHER IN VA

AND IN INTRA-HOA HAO POLITICKING.

5. FOURTH LIST, "UNITE FOR PROGRESS", INCLUDES A NUMBER OF DIEMIST POLITICIANS, SOME OF THEM OLD CAN LAO. IT IS HEADED BY DIEM ASSEMBLY CHAIRMAN TRAN VAN LAM AND INCLUDES AMONG ITS MEMBERSHIP DIEM'S MINISTER OF DEFENSE TRAN TRUNG DUNG AND MRS. NGUYEN VAN THO, FORMER NATIONAL ASSEMBLYWOMAN AND WIFE OF PRESENT MINISTER OF EDUCATION.

6. FIFTH LIST IS HEADED BY VU QUOC THUC, ECONOMIST WORKING WITH LILIENTHAL GOURP ON LONG-RANGE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

7. SIXTH LIST TO FILE AS OF JUNE 27 IS HEADED BY VUNGOC HOAN. HUYNH DUC BUU, WELL KNOWN LAWYER ON PAC, IS ONE OF ITS MEMBERS.

8. OTHER PROMINENT SENATORIAL POSSIBILITIES, SUCH AS TRAN VAN DO AND TRAN VAN DON, HAVE NOT YET FORMALLY SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS. WE WILL REPORT MEMBERSHIP OF THEIR LISTS, AND MORE COMPLETE DATA ON ALL LISTS WHEN INFORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE.

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